Performance orientation of KVKs

5412. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the basic objectives behind setting up of Krishi Vigyan Kendras in States;

(b) how far these have been able to achieve the objectives; and

(c) the details and measures taken by Government to make these KVKs more performance-oriented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The basic objectives behind setting up of Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) are on farm testing to identify the location specificity of technologies in various farming systems; frontline demostrations to establish its production potentials or farmers' plots; training of farmers to update their knowledge and skills in improved agricultural technologies and training of extension personnel to orient them in the frontier areas of technology development.

(b) During 2000-01 the KVKs have conducted training covering 4.53 lakh farmers, rural youths and extension personnel; 22,895 frontline demonstrations and a large number of on-farm trials besides organizing 10,182 extension activities. The KVKs produced 2211 tonnes of seeds of cereals, oilseeds, pulses and vegetables, and 24.46 lakh saplings/seedings of fruits, vegetables, spices and other species for availability to the farmers.

(c) The details of measures taken to make these KVKs more performance-oriented are as follows:

- Each KVK has been provided with a multidiciplinary team of subject matter specialists.
- The Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) for each KVK has been constituted including the representatives of farmers, research institutions, development departments and other related agencies to guide in formulation of need based action plan and review its activities.
- Zonal/State Level Workshops of the KVKs are organised to review its functioning.

- Quinquennial Review Teams (QRT) are also appointed to make comprehensive review of the functioning of the KVKs.

Development of animal husbandry in Andhra Pradesh

5413. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) for which Centrally sponsored schemes for the development of animal husbandry sector, the funds were released to Andhra Pradesh during the last three years, scheme-wise and year-wise;

(b) on what basis the funds were released to the State; and

(c) the results achieved in that sector during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying provide grants-in-aid to the State Governments, mainly for infrastructure building to supplement their efforts for the development of Animal Husbandry sector. The funds are released to the State Governments including Andhra Pradesh on the basis of viable proposals received from them. A Statement indicating the scheme-wise details of funds released for the development of Animal Husbandary in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years is enclosed.

Statement

Scheme-wise details of the funds released for the development of Animal Husbandry in Andhra Pradesh

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Year-wise release of funds to Andhra Pradesh		
		1999-00	2000-01	2001-02
1.	National Project on Cattle & Buffalo Breeding	10.48	891.25	741.75
2.	Assistance to States for Control of animal Diseases	5.71	0.18	25.27
3.	Professional Efficiency Development	18.00	7.50	0.00